



# Emergency Animal Rescue Priority Guide

Use this as a guide to quickly assess how urgent a situation is. Select the highest priority that applies, then log the request and take action. Reassess if conditions change.

## HIGH PRIORITY — IMMEDIATE DANGER

### Act now

- Trapped or confined
- Injured or in visible distress
- Exposed to fire, smoke, or extreme conditions

**Examples:** Animal tied up during evacuation; Animal inside structure at risk; Animal unable to move or escape

→ **Respond immediately**

## MEDIUM PRIORITY — AT RISK

### Needs attention soon

- No access to food or water
- Owner evacuated or unavailable
- Conditions worsening

**Examples:** Animal left behind with limited resources; Animal roaming in unstable area; Situation likely to become urgent

→ **Respond as soon as possible**

## LOW PRIORITY — STABLE

### Monitor and follow up

- Access to food, water, or shelter
- Contained or in a relatively safe environment
- No immediate signs of distress

**Examples:** Animal secured indoors with supplies; Animal being monitored by someone nearby

→ **Check in and reassess**

## IMPORTANT

Priority may change quickly. Reassess as conditions evolve.

**Assess → Assign → Log → Reassess**

*For use with Animal Emergency Response Guide & Toolkit*



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